

"One Team, Supporting Military Missions and Family Readiness!"



LET'S RODEO



Photo by Esther Garcia

Maj. Gen. Russell Czerw, commanding general, Fort Sam Houston and U.S. Army Medical Department Center & School, presents a thank you letter and his commander's coin to Tres Kleberg, chairman, San Antonio Livestock Exposition and Fred Petmecky, president, SALE, on behalf of the Fort Sam Houston military community for their generous contributions to Soldiers and their Families. The SALE made it possible for military Families and injured men and women, who are receiving care and rehabilitation for their injuries as result of their service supporting Operation Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, to enjoy the "Lets Rodeo San Antonio" experience.

Colombia and ARSOUTH treat more than 5,100 patients

By Arwen Consaul
 ARSOUTH Public Affairs

Much needed specialized and general medical treatment was provided to the people of Colombia during a Medical Training and Readiness Exercise from Jan. 25 to Feb. 3.

At the invitation of the Colombian government, Soldiers from U.S. Army South and the Army Reserve

provided medical treatment at La Macarena and San Vicente del Caguan, Colombia.

Members of the 425th Minimal Care Detachment provided general medical treatment to more than 3,700 patients, dental services to over 200 patients and optometry care to more than 1,100 patients.

These annual humanitarian

See ARSOUTH P8



Army Spc. David Christopher, assigned to the 425th Minimal Care Detachment out of Indianapolis, Ind., checks the blood pressure of a Colombian patient at a treatment site.

Photo by
 2nd Lt. Bill Hooks

Soldiers of the 201st MI Battalion board an aircraft at Kelly Field Feb. 14 on their way to Afghanistan. The Soldier at the bottom step carries the colors of one of the battalion's companies.



Photo by
 Gregory Rippes

470th Military Intelligence Brigade deploys Soldiers to Afghanistan

By Gregory Rippes
 470th MI Brigade Public Affairs

When a number of Soldiers of the 470th Military Intelligence Brigade embraced their spouses this Valentine's Day weekend, they were also saying goodbye.

Approximately 130 members of the brigade's 201st MI Battalion boarded a chartered airliner at the Kelly Field Annex to Lackland Air Force Base Feb. 14, beginning their

deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

The Soldiers primarily consist of interrogators and information analysts who will perform their mission at a Joint Interrogation and Debriefing Center in Afghanistan.

"The interrogators are trained to conduct interrogations in the methods approved in Army doctrine," said Lt. Col. Dennis Lewis, battalion commander. "We have done a great

job of instilling this in their training."

Lewis noted that, last summer, the battalion anticipated returning to Iraq. However, their destination changed.

"We are very proud of our Soldiers and what they have done in the timeline set out for them," Lewis continued. "It's been quite a ride to get to where we are. Now

See 470TH P12

News Leader

Editorial Staff

Army Medical Department Center
and School & Fort Sam Houston

Commander
Maj. Gen. Russell Czerw

Garrison Commander
Col. Mary Garr

Public Affairs Officer
Phillip Reidinger

Editor
L. A. Shively

Editor/Writer
Steve Elliott

Staff Writer
Lori Newman

Layout Artist
Joe Funtanilla

News Leader office:

1212 Stanley Road
Building 124, Suite 4
Fort Sam Houston
Texas 78234-5004
210-221-0615/2030
DSN 471-0615/2030
Fax: 210-221-1198

News Leader Advertisements:

Prime Time
Military Newspapers
2203 S. Hackberry
San Antonio, Texas 78210
Phone: 210-534-8848
Fax: 210-534-7134

News Leader e-mail:
news.leader@conus.army.mil

News Leader online:
www.samhouston.army.mil/
publicaffairs

This Army newspaper is an authorized publication for members of the Department of Defense. Contents of the News Leader are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. government or Department of the Army. It is published weekly by the Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs Office, 1212 Stanley Road, Building 124, Suite 4, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-5004; 210-221-0615, DSN 471-0615. Printed circulation is 10,000. Everything advertised in this publication shall be made available for purchase, use or patronage without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, physical handicap, political affiliation, or any other nonmerit factor of the purchaser, user or patron. If a violation or rejection of this equal opportunity policy by an advertiser is confirmed, the printer shall refuse to print advertising from that source until the violation is corrected. The editorial content of this publication is the responsibility of the Director of Public Affairs. The News Leader is published by Prime Time, Inc., Military Newspapers, 2203 S. Hackberry, San Antonio, Texas 78210; 210-534-8848, a private firm in no way connected with the U.S. government, under exclusive written contract with the Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs Office. The civilian printer is responsible for commercial advertising. The appearance of advertising in this publication, including inserts or supplements, does not constitute endorsement by the U.S. Army. Stories and photos for publication consideration may be e-mailed to news.leader@conus.army.mil by close of business Friday.

Hiring Heroes Career Fair helps Soldiers find jobs after military

The Hiring Heroes Career Fair provides opportunities for Soldiers looking into what is available as a second successful career after completion of their military service.

Hiring Heroes Career Fair

The semi-annual Hiring Heroes Career Fair will be held March 9, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Sam Houston Club. This DoD-sponsored event is expected to attract over 75 federal, corporate and contract exhibitors whose sole focus is to speak to warriors about employment opportunities after military service. Attendees are highly encouraged to bring their resumes to the event to expedite the initial steps of the employment information and the hiring process. The event is specifically organized for injured service members, their spouses, and caregivers.

Resume Workshop

A day-long resume workshop will be held March 8, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Sam Houston Club, 1395 Chaffe Road. Assistance will be provided by subject matter experts to help attendees with federal (Resumix) and civilian resume documents. Personnel are encouraged to begin preparation now for the Hiring Heroes Career Fair. Call the Army Career and Alumni Program Center, 221-1213, to begin your prepreparation requirements and resume orientation. Federal resume classes are also available for your planning.

San Antonio Military Community Job Fair

The semi-annual San Antonio Military Community Job Fair hosted by the local military installations, the Disabled American Veterans, and the Texas Workforce Commission will be held March 24, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Live Oak Civic Center, off Interstate Highway 35 at the Pat Booker Road exit.

For more information, call ACAP at 221-1213.

Avoid those potholes

By Lt. Col. John J. Gavin
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

There is a dramatic increase in the number of potholes in and around Fort Sam Houston and metropolitan San Antonio, probably due to the increased amount of precipitation dating to September 2009.

Unfortunately, many of you may have already damaged your tires, or possibly the undercarriage of your car, and you may be pondering whether it is possible to file a claim at Fort Sam.

Pursuant to Army Regulation 27-20, the Army Claims Regulation, and DA Pam 27-162, damage to moving vehicles caused by potholes and other defects in the road are not considered an unusual occurrence and are not compensable under the Personnel Claims Act.

Such incidents may be considered under the PCA only when the claimant used the vehicle under orders for the convenience of the government such as being TDY and the claim is otherwise meritorious.

Thought of the Week

Love is not only something you feel, it is something you do. — David Wilkerson
(Source: Bits & Pieces)



















Normally your only recourse is to file a claim with your insurance company for the damage to your vehicle caused by road hazards such as pot holes.

In a few instances a claim for damage caused by road hazards may be considered under the Federal Tort Claims Act or the Military Claims Act.

However, to be payable, you will have to prove that the government was negligent in either the design and construction or maintenance of the road, or that it failed to properly alert drivers of the upcoming road hazard.

So please drive carefully!

Weekly Weather Watch

	Feb. 18	Feb. 19	Feb. 20	Feb. 21	Feb. 22	Feb. 23
San Antonio	 61° Mostly Cloudy	 63° Mostly Cloudy	 67° Mostly Cloudy	 72° Chance of Rain	 63° Mostly Cloudy	 58° Partly Cloudy
Kabul Afghanistan	 53° Chance of Rain	 57° Chance of Rain	 55° Chance of Rain	 55° Chance of Rain	 46° Chance of Rain	 50° Chance of Rain
Baghdad Iraq	 82° Chance of Rain	 80° Partly Cloudy	 77° Clear	 78° Clear	 71° Partly Cloudy	 71° Partly Cloudy

(Source: Weather Underground at www.wunderground.com)

News Briefs

Military Tax Assistance Centers

The Fort Sam Houston Military Tax Assistance Center is located in Building 158, the hours are Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. The FSH tax center will be closed Feb. 12 for the Training Holiday and Feb. 15, Presidents' Day. Call 295-1040 or 221-1040. The Brooke Army Medical Center, located in the BAMC library, is open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Call 916-1040.

Second Shift Added

Beginning March 1, the Medical Instructional Facility No. 5 contractors will work a second shift from 3-11 p.m. to catch up due to the recent rain-related delays. The work will be done primarily on the interior of the building and will last about three months. Any and all assistance from the occupants of the housing area in the vicinity is appreciated.

Black History Month 470th MI Bde. Observance

The 470th Military Intelligence Brigade will sponsor an observance of African-American/Black History Month Feb. 24, 1-2 p.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. Highlights include a speech by Keith D. Parker, president and chief executive officer of VIA Metropolitan Transit. Call 295-6800.

The History of Black Economic Empowerment

FSH will commemorate African American/Black History Month "The History of Black Economic Empowerment," Feb. 25, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Harlequin Dinner Theatre. Bob Snead will perform his one-act play, titled "Held In Trust." Call 221-4240.

Honoring the Past, Present and Celebrating the Future

Collective Protestant Service will host a Black History Month program at Dodd Field Chapel Feb. 28, 10:30 a.m. with an old-time church service, at noon there will be a food gallery, poetry reading, music, fashion show, art exhibit, children's activities and a Black history fact challenge. Call 897-6880.

ARNORTH tests homeland defense unit

By Sgt. Joshua Ford
ARNORTH Public Affairs

U.S. Army North's Team B, West Division, Civil Support Training Activity, evaluated the Soldiers and Airmen of the Nevada National Guard's 92nd Civil Support Team during a certification exercise Feb. 10 at the National Guard Readiness Center in Las Vegas.

CSTs, such as the 92nd CST, are designed to assess hazards, advise civil authorities, and facilitate military support during emergencies and incidents involving weapons of mass destruction.

During the exercise, the 92nd CST was tasked with responding to a training scenario in which two men created a harmful biological agent and attempted to use it to contaminate food and water sources.

"We try to make the exercise as real as possible," said Phillip Barnes, an operations analyst with Team B.

During this exercise, the team used aerosol cans to simulate devices used to spray biological agents.

The evaluation exercise tested the Soldiers and Airmen on 12 collective tasks that include more than 450 sub-tasks. Tasks included setting up a worksite to evaluate any harmful biological or chemical threats found in a mobile laboratory.

"Making sure that we don't grow complacent is the driving force behind this," said Maj. David Sellen, 92nd CST commander. "We can't afford to be complacent – especially when it comes to homeland defense."

Rich Murphy, a contracted role player and assistant fire chief in Florida, played the situation commander, representing a unified command under local, state and federal authorities, to provide more realism to the training.

"This allows law enforcement agencies and civil support teams



Sgt. Ryan Campbell, a survey team member with the 92nd Civil Support Team, Nevada National Guard, tests a puddle of water for biological or chemical contamination during the 92nd CST's evaluation exercise.

to manage their own assets while key decisions are made collectively by local, state and federal officials," said Murphy.

Additionally, a representative from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Las Vegas office played his role as the FBI's representative.

"Every time we go out to one of these exercises, we learn something," said Brett Handy,



Staff Sgt. Roberto Caceres, decontamination noncommissioned officer, 92nd Civil Support Team, Nevada National Guard, prepares a decontamination site during the 92nd CST's evaluation exercise.

FBI weapons of mass destruction coordinator. "It's a great opportunity to increase our understanding of the different agencies."

Evaluation exercises not only certify the CSTs, they also provide the CSTs, local, state and federal responders a good understanding of what each agency does in the event of a disaster or attack.

"Once you get in and do the

networking, you prove that you are competent in your ability and, more importantly, you show you aren't a threat to another agency's environment," said Sellen.

The training and evaluation process proved essential for the 92nd CST when it had to react to a real world situation.

In 2008, Nevada first responders requested the 92nd CST's assistance when the highly-toxic poison ricin was discovered in a Las Vegas motel.

The team also assisted in Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts.

"This is an experienced group," said David Brown, Team B operations analyst and observer/controller.

"During the exercise, [the 92nd CST] concisely made the effort. That's what we look for. They met all the tasks to standard. They're a good team and did an outstanding job."

"ARNORTH has a vested interest in making sure we are trained; but at the same time, it is a reality check," said Sellen.

"They aren't going to tell us things that are good and pat us on the back. They are going to tell us where we stand, good or bad."



Sgt. Anthony Rigano (left) and Sgt. Ryan Campbell (right), both survey team members, 92nd Civil Support Team, Nevada National Guard, prepare to enter the simulated contaminated zone while Phillip Barnes (orange vest), operations analyst Team B, West Division, Civil Support Training Activity, U.S. Army North, evaluates the team during the 92nd CST's evaluation exercise.

Photos by Sgt. Joshua Ford

Inventor of Muzak remembered for work with Wright brothers, research

By Steve Elliott
FSH Public Affairs

With the Centennial of Military Flight being celebrated at Fort Sam Houston, it may seem like a stretch to think that the man who invented “elevator music” was also an important part of the birth of military aviation.

Like his contemporaries, Orville and Wilbur Wright and Benjamin Foulois, Maj. Gen. George Owen Squier was a man ahead of his time.

Squier was born in Dryden, Mich., on March 21, 1863. After completing only the eighth grade and then working for two years, he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. Graduating seventh in his class in 1887, Squier went on to complete his Ph.D. in physics at Johns Hopkins University in 1893.

Squier transferred to Fort Monroe, Va., where he helped found the “Journal of the United States Artillery” a magazine dedicated to the professional development of U.S. Army field artillerymen, and where he published his research.

His experiments led to the invention of the polarizing photochronograph – an instrument using photography and electromagnetism – that measured the velocity of artillery shells inside the bore of a gun.

By 1897, Squier was using wireless radio waves to remotely fire cannons and detonate mines, proving the military application of radio.

As executive officer to the Chief Signal Officer, U.S. Signal Corps, Squier was instrumental in establishing the Aeronautical Division of the U.S. Signal Corps, the first

organizational ancestor of the U.S. Air Force in 1907.

Charged with determining the military potential of the experiments of the Wright brothers, Squier became the first military airplane passenger in the world when he hopped aboard a Wright-constructed aircraft for a nine-minute flight on Sept. 12, 1908.

He not only wrote the specifications for the first military aircraft, but witnessed acceptance trials of the Army’s first Wright Flyer and while working with the Wright Brothers, he was responsible for the purchase of the first airplanes by the U.S. Army in 1909.

Squier always remained interested in radio, and between 1909 and 1910, he applied for four patents in multiplex telephony, where several verbal messages could be transmitted and received over a single wire. This was the basis for the modern communications systems used today.

From May 1916 to February 1917 he was Chief of the Aviation Section, U.S. Signal Corps, the first successor of the Aeronautical Division, before being promoted to major general and appointed Chief Signal Officer during World War I.

As Chief Signal Officer during World War I, Squier was responsible not only for radio, but also was charged with the entire aviation and communications mission of the United States Army. During the war, Squier succeeded in opening two Army laboratories – one at Fort Monmouth, N.J., for radio and another at Langley Field, Va., for aviation.

Squier can be credited with the Army’s institutional-



Photo by James Hare, courtesy of George Eastman House International Museum of Photography and Film, Rochester, N.Y.

Phillip Parmalee (center) checks his watch, while (from left) Sgt. Stephen J. Idzorek, Lt. Benjamin Foulois and Maj. George Squier confer at Leon Springs Military Reservation, March 17, 1911. Foulois and Parmalee were on a mission to deliver a message via airplane from headquarters and return with a reply. Behind the group is the Wright “B” Flyer owned by Robert J. Collier, the son of “Collier’s: The National Weekly” magazine publisher P.F. Collier, used during the mission.

ization of scientific research and development for military purposes.

During his 36-year military career, Squier scored his greatest successes as an inventor, establishing himself as a pioneer in the history of science in the United States. He wrote and edited many books and articles on the subject of radio and electricity.

His invention in 1910 of “multiplexing” allowed telephone wires to carry multiple messages for the first time; the carrier frequency principle involved was later adapted to other types of transmission, including FM radio. For that achievement, he was elected to the National Academy of Science in 1919.

Shortly before his retirement in 1924, while still in charge of the Signal Corps, Squier developed a way to play a phonograph over electric power lines that served as an early precursor for Muzak.

Squier devised a new application of the transmission technologies that he helped develop – wired radio. He recognized the potential for this technology to be used to deliver music to listeners without the use of radio, which at the time was still in its early stages and required troublesome and expensive equipment.

The rights to Squier’s patents were acquired by the North American Company utility conglomerate – a public utility holding company operating electric lighting and power companies in Cleveland, St. Louis, and many other places – which created a company named Wired Radio Inc., with the intent to use the technique to deliver music subscriptions to private customers of the utility company’s power service.

Squier remained involved in the project and was reportedly intrigued by the made-up

word “Kodak” being used as a trademark. In 1934, he took the “mus” syllable from “music” and added the “ak” from “Kodak” to create his word Muzak, to replace the “Wired Radio” name.

The name and the concept he created would flourish for the remainder of the century, becoming a pervasive presence both in the United States and abroad for generations to come.

Squier died of pneumonia on March 24, 1934, and was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

“Throughout the 1930s, as buildings grew taller and elevators became more prominent, Muzak was piped in to soothe the nerves of riders leery of the new contraptions, bringing the term ‘elevator music’ to life,” wrote Arik Johnson in 2004, on Web site “Competitive Intelligence.”

Muzak calmed stranded elevator passengers when a bomber crashed into the Empire State Building in 1945, played in the cabin of Apollo 13 during its ill-fated lunar mission in 1970 and wafted through the deserted halls of the U.S. Embassy after the last Americans left Saigon in 1975, according to David Lindsay, a writer with <http://www.AmericanHeritage.com>.

So next time you hear that inescapable background music hovering around the elevator, or while waiting for someone to pick up the phone, or passing by the Marketing On Hold by Muzak building across from Brooke Army Medical Center on Interstate 35, spare a thought for a military aviation pioneer named George Owen Squier.



Army's oldest living four-star general visits ARSOUTH

By Robert R. Ramon
ARSOUTH Public Affairs

The Army's oldest living four-star general and senior retired officer visited U.S. Army South's headquarters in historic "Old BAMC" Feb. 11.

"I was actually attending West Point when this was being built," said retired Gen. Ralph E. Haines Jr., 96, as he made his way into the historic building that was completed in 1937.

Haines arrived with his son, retired Army Lt. Col. William L. Haines, at the invitation of Army South Commanding General Maj. Gen. Simeon G. Trombitas, who briefed Haines on U.S. Army South's ongoing missions and current operations.

Haines graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 1935 and went on to serve more than 37 years in various positions including vice chief of staff of the U.S. Army from 1967 to 1968, commander of U.S. Army, Pacific from August 1968 to October 1970, and commanding general of the U.S. Continental Army Command from 1970 to 1973.

"The perspective he offers is beyond compare," Trombitas said. "With his deep understanding of our Army and his broad leadership experience, the wealth of knowledge he brings is unparalleled."

Haines said the visit was special, since through the years "I've always had all kinds of

contacts within Army South and have maintained a very close relationship."

He was also a strong advocate of relocating U.S. Army South's headquarters in 2002 from Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico to its current location at Fort Sam Houston.

"I'll take some credit for locating the headquarters here," Haines said. "I wanted to get U.S. Army South here and I tried a lot of ways to do it. I said 'San Antonio's the best place to move it' and now that it's here I can't imagine any component of any army that has a better setup than this beautiful building."

Command Sgt. Maj. Luis Gonzalez, acting



Photo by Robert R. Ramon

Command Sgt. Maj. Luis Gonzalez (left), acting U.S. Army South command sergeant major and retired Gen. Ralph E. Haines Jr. discuss the history of the U.S. Army Noncommissioned Officer Education System after a briefing at U.S. Army South's headquarters in historic "Old BAMC" Feb. 11.

U.S. Army South command sergeant major,

personally thanked Haines for his significant

contributions to the U.S. Army's Noncommissioned Officer Corps.

"We have the best NCO Corps in the world thanks to you sir," Gonzalez said to Haines.

In the 1960s, Haines realized there was a lack of sufficient training for Army noncommissioned officers. He is sometimes referred to as the "father of the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy" in Fort Bliss, Texas for his role in advocating for NCO education.

"General Haines was the founder of the Army NCO Education System," Gonzalez said. "He saw the need to create a system to educate our NCOs and soon the NCOES was born."

LONG SPEAKS AT SEMINAR



Photo by Robert R. Ramon

First Sgt. Geoffrey Long, U.S. Army South, Special Troops Battalion, Company A first sergeant, speaks to senior enlisted airmen from throughout the San Antonio area during an Additional Duty First Sergeant seminar at Lackland Air Force Base, Feb. 8. Long was invited to speak about his experience as a first sergeant and shared his perspective on what it takes to be successful in the position.

NEW FIRST SERGEANT AT HHC, USAG

Capt. Lionel Lowery, (right) commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Garrison passes the guidon to 1st Sgt. Todd Foster, the new first sergeant for the company during a ceremony Feb. 10 at Army Community Service. "I look forward to continuing to support Headquarters Company and the Fort Sam Houston community," Foster said during his remarks.

(Below) First Sgt. Rosalba Chambers greets the Soldiers of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Garrison following the change of responsibility ceremony Feb. 10. "Each one of you Soldiers holds a special place in my heart, you will never be forgotten," Chambers said.



Photos by Lori Newman

Military Saves Week helps Soldiers, Families get personal finances into shape

By Cheryl Harrison

Army Community Service,
Marketing

Soldiers and Families can get personal finances into shape at Fort Sam Houston's Financial Boot Camp Feb. 24 and 25 at the Sam Houston Club.

Representatives from local agencies will help Soldiers and Families address financial challenges. Confidential financial counseling will

be available. Attendees are encouraged to be present for both days, but are welcome anytime.

The boot camp is in conjunction with Military Saves Week, Feb. 22 through Feb. 26.

A table will be set up at the Post Exchange Feb. 22 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. with financial information and hand outs.

Other activities for Military Saves Week include Army Community

Services Financial Readiness Program representatives teaching teens at the Child, Youth & School Services youth center about their needs versus wants; ways to earn money; and how to save, Feb. 23.

For more information about Military Saves Week, visit <http://www.militarysaves.org>. To register for the Financial Boot Camp call 221-1612/2705.

News Leader survey online

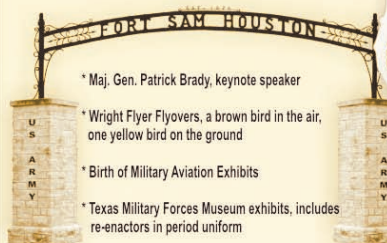
Visit <http://www.samhouston.army.mil/publicaffairs>. For more information, call 221-0615 or 221-2030.

Foulois Centennial Military Flight Celebration

FSH MacArthur Parade Field

March 2, 2010

8:30 - 11:30 a.m.



* Maj. Gen. Patrick Brady, keynote speaker

* Wright Flyer Flyovers, a brown bird in the air, one yellow bird on the ground

* Birth of Military Aviation Exhibits

* Texas Military Forces Museum exhibits, includes re-enactors in period uniform

* 1909 Cadillac Display

* C.V. Glines, author of "From the Wright Brothers to the Astronauts", will be at MacArthur Field March 1, 10 a.m. to Noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. will share his first hand encounters with Maj. Gen. Foulois and other army/air icons-from his perspective as both a military pilot and as a prolific author on military aviation history.



ARSOUTH from P1

assistance missions, which deploy U.S. military medical professionals to Latin American and Caribbean nations, allow for training and the opportunity to provide humanitarian services.

"This is a great opportunity for us to practice our skill sets in the field while working in an austere environment," said Capt. William Payne, officer in charge of the mission and a member of the 425th Minimal Care Detachment out of Indianapolis, Ind.

"This offers a real-world environment should we ever need to use our skills for future humanitarian assistance."

MEDRETEs are U.S. Southern Command sponsored, U.S. Army South conducted, joint

"This is a great opportunity for us to practice our skill sets in the field while working in an austere environment."

Capt. William Payne

foreign military interaction/humanitarian exercises aimed at continuing U.S. commitment to Colombia while improving the quality of life for the local population with the assistance of the Colombian military.

Ongoing civil war between Colombia and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia has made various areas throughout the region



Photo by 2nd Lt. Bill Hooks

Pfc. Bryan Baker, assigned to the 425th Minimal Care Detachment out of Indianapolis, Ind., hands vitamins to a young Colombian patient.

dangerous.

U.S. participation through MEDRETE reinforces the effectiveness of Colombian Security Forces throughout that country.

"The government of Colombia provided great

security to our Soldiers on the ground," said Maj. Gen. Simeon Trombitas, commanding general of U.S. Army South.

"Working with the Colombian Security Force shows our resolve to support the people of

Colombia and a desire to put our efforts where they can be most maximized."

The government of Colombia, with the support of their security force, provided a secure environment in remote

areas of Colombia in which the U.S. Army medical specialists provided their assistance.

"The Colombian Military Force was quite helpful," Payne said.

"They provided the needed security to protect the medical team from any potential dangers which allowed us to do our job and treat over 10,000 Colombians."

Relationships built and sustained with our multinational partners in Central and South America and the Caribbean region through such medical exercises help tremendously in humanitarian efforts and preserving peace and stability in the region.

"We care about the people of Colombia," Payne said. "We want to come back and provide as much help as we can."

AUDIE MURPHY VISIT



Photos by Esther Garcia

During the Annual National Salute to Veteran Patients, Feb. 12 at the Audie L. Murphy Veterans Hospital, Maj. Gen. Simeon Trombitas, commander, U.S. Army South and Fiesta Ambassadors from all branches of the military visited with hospital patients and staff. Top left: Air Force Tech. Sgt. Michael Johnson, Army Sgt. Angela Schetter, Army Sgt. 1st Class Hector Santiago-Perez, Trombitas, Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Angela Wells and Marine Sgt. Julio C. Meza-Medina, and Army 2nd Lt. Monica Verdoza. Top right: Army Sgt. 1st Class Hector Santiago-Perez, Air Force Tech. Sgt. Michael Johnson, Army Sgt. Angela Schetter and Army 2nd Lt. Monica Verdoza visit with W.D. Hicks and his wife, Felma. Hicks was part of the Normandy Invasion in France during WWII in 1944, and also served under Gen. George Patton. He holds earlier photos of himself and his wife.

470TH from P1

they are excited to do the job the Army has trained them to do.”

Nevertheless, taking leave of one's Family for what may be a year isn't easy.

“Saying goodbye is the hardest part,” said Spc. Rebecca Jubert, who deployed with another unit to Afghanistan prior to the birth of her daughter.

“But I'm ready to go,” Jubert said.

The deploying Soldiers said goodbye to their Families at Fort Sam

Houston earlier in the day, trusting in the support structure provided by the brigade's Family Readiness Group to ease their separation.

Two Soldiers have taken on a personal mission. Spc. Patricia Ceballos and Spc. Natalia Valencia are taking along a uniformed teddy bear for the Lighthouse Christian School.

“We're going to write a journal, take photos and send them back with the bear in March,” Ceballos said.

“We're going to write from the bear's perspec-

tive,” Valencia added. “We want to give the kids an idea of what it's like [to deploy].”

Five other Soldiers of the brigade departed for Afghanistan via scheduled airline service from San Antonio International Airport Feb. 13. Four deployed as analysts under a Request for Forces Tasking and one military policeman deployed under the Worldwide Individual Augmentation System.

They responded with only 20-days notice to fill specified requirements.

“We're proud of how quickly you got ready,” said Capt. Jessica Watson, commander of the brigade's Headquarters and Headquarters Company, before they departed Fort Sam Houston.

Speaking on behalf of everyone in the brigade, she concluded her farewell by saying, “We're with you all the way.”

Col. Jim Lee, brigade commander, said, “This is just one more example of the expeditionary nature of this brigade. These three groups of

ARNORTH DCG INDUCTS NEW RECRUITS DURING STOCK SHOW AND RODEO



Photo by Becky Garcia

Maj. Gen. Perry Wiggins (left), deputy commanding general of U.S. Army North, rides out on horseback Feb. 12 to induct 40 new recruits into the U.S. Army during San Antonio's annual Stock Show and Rodeo at the AT&T Center.



Photo by Gregory Ripps

Col. Jim Lee (center), 470th Military Intelligence Brigade commander, offers good wishes to the brigade's Soldiers of the 201st MI Battalion as they board an aircraft on their way to Afghanistan. The aircraft departed Kelly Field Feb. 14.

over 140 Soldiers deploying this weekend are bound for Afghanistan, joining our other 170-plus Soldiers already serving one-year tours in the Central Command Area of Responsibility.”

NAVMISSA COO receives national award

By Lt. Cmdr. James R. Hagen
NAVMISSA Public Affairs

Navy Medicine Information Systems Support Activity's chief operating officer was recognized at the Western Conference and Exposition in San Diego Feb. 2 for upgrading Navy Medicine's computer network systems.

Dr. Peter Marks, Ph.D, was awarded the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association U.S. Naval Institute Copernicus Award for Fiscal Year 2009 for transferring IT services at Bethesda, Md., to a "cloud computing model" by partnering with the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center in New Orleans.

"Like everything else

in the Navy, this award is a reflection of a team of individuals who strove to do the right thing and not accept the status quo," said Marks. "I am honored to be part of the NAVMISSA team."

Marks said cloud computing provides virtualized resources and service over the Internet. This reduces the amount of servers, server maintenance and environmental support necessary to operate a computer room by eliminating the equipment and moving the services that are typically provided in-house to an external agency that manages server operations.

"This computing model is being readily accepted by many businesses that are trying to

contain costs and create efficiencies by allowing external organizations to manage the servers, environmental conditions and security of systems that were previously housed within a corporate headquarters only," Marks said.

"This honor is two-fold," said Capt. Tina Ortiz, NAVMISSA's commanding officer. "We're happy and pleased, of course, that one of our staff was recognized for his expertise with such a prestigious award. In addition, it's especially rewarding as we're a relatively new entity, having just been commissioned in September 2008. This award solidifies the hard work happening within information management at NAVMISSA for Navy

Medicine and the fleet."

The AFCEA is a non-profit membership association serving the military, government, industry and academia as an ethical forum for advancing professional knowledge and relationships in the fields of communications, information technology, intelligence and global security.

The Copernicus award is selected by Navy judges who review applications from the departments of the Navy and Coast Guard, including active duty and civilians.

The criteria for the award highlights specific contributions to the advancement of communications, computers, information systems, or information warfare and the nominee must also



Courtesy photo

Navy Capt. Tina Ortiz, NAVMISSA's commanding officer, stands with Dr. Peter Marks who received the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association U.S. Naval Institute Copernicus Award for Fiscal Year 2009.

demonstrate exceptional initiative, insight and leadership within the nominee's area of expertise.

Marks retired from the Army in 2008 as a lieutenant colonel of the U.S. Army Medical Service Corps.

Replica Wright flyers grace Centennial of Military Flight celebration

By Lori Newman
FSH Public Affairs

As part of the Foulois Centennial of Military Flight celebration March 2 at MacArthur Parade Field, two authentic-looking Wright "B" Flyers are going to make an appearance.

Wright "B" Flyer Inc., an all-volunteer, not-for-profit corporation that designs, builds and maintains the flyers, is sending their "Yellow Bird" and "Brown Bird," to Fort Sam Houston from Dayton, Ohio.

When the "Yellow Bird" arrives at Fort Sam Houston Feb. 25, it will be assembled inside a hanger shelter, just as Lt. Benjamin D. Foulois did 100 years ago. The "Brown Bird" will also arrive Feb. 25 at Stinson Airport, awaiting its flyover during the celebration.

"The plane we will be flying was completed in 1982. It is a 'look-alike' of a modified Wright "B" Flyer that is on exhibit in the National Museum of the United States Air Force," said Mitchell Cary, president of the Wright "B" Flyer Inc.

"Certain concessions were made to make the plane safer. It is not intended to be a replica; only to look like the Wright "B" Flyer. The plane that will be on the ground at the parade grounds is a much more authentic replica of the Wright "B" Flyer," he said.

"The plane that Benjamin Foulois first flew March 2, 1910 was the Wright Military Flyer," Cary said.

The U.S. Army purchased the Wright Military Flyer, designating it Signal Corps Airplane No. 1, for the price of \$30,000. The original price was \$25,000 with 10 percent added for each full mile per hour of speed over the Army's requirement of 40 mph.

To establish the speed of the airplane, a course was set from Fort Meyer, Va., to Shooter's Hill in Alexandria, Va., on July 30, 1909. Orville Wright and Foulois made the 10-mile flight with an average speed of 42.5 mph, earning the Wright Brothers a \$5,000 bonus for flying two miles per hour over the required 40 mph.

The original Signal Corps Airplane No. 1 was a two-place, wire-braced biplane with a four-cylinder Wright 30.6 horsepower engine driving two wooden propellers via a sprocket-and-chain transmission system.

According to the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum Web site: (<http://www.nasm.si.edu>) Signal Corps Airplane No. 1 was 29 feet, 2 inches in length; 8 feet, 2 inches high and weighed 735 pounds, with a wingspan of 36 feet, 8 inches.

After the Army took possession of the airplane, flight training began in College Park, Md. However, because the winter weather in Maryland was unsuitable for flying, the Signal Corps ordered the airplane sent to Fort Sam Houston in November 1909.

Foulois and the Signal Corps crew were responsible for daily and periodic maintenance and upkeep of the engine and airframe of the aircraft.

"As (Foulois) began flying the plane throughout 1910 he made modifica-

tions to the plane and by the end of the year it very closely resembled the 1910 Wright "B" Flyer," Cary said.

Beyond the basic maintenance of the airplane, Foulois and his crew made two significant modifications to Signal Corps Airplane No. 1.

After consulting with the Wright brothers, Foulois and his crew moved one of the elevators from the front to the rear of the airplane, in an effort to stop the its tendency to buck.

The elevators are a pair of movable wings, controlled by the pilot.

They also designed and built a three-wheel landing gear similar to that used on Curtiss airplanes. According to <http://www.centennialof-flight.gov> Glenn Curtiss and Alexander Graham Bell founded the Aerial Experiment Association in 1907, which designed and built several aircraft.

Though successful, the modification was not completely satisfactory. The Wright brothers developed a similar system using pneumatic tires attached

to the landing skids with elastic cord to absorb the landing shock. The Wrights' later supplied that system to Foulois, which he then installed on Signal Corps Airplane No. 1.

The Army retired Signal Corps Airplane No. 1 in March 1911.

The aircraft was sent to the Wright factory in Dayton, Ohio for refurbishing and then onto the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. where it remains on display today at the National Air and Space Museum.

According to the NASM Web site, the War Department approved the transfer on May 4, 1911. The aircraft was restored close to its original 1909 configuration, but a few non-original braces added for the wheeled landing gear in 1910 remained on the airplane.

Apart from minor repairs, the airplane remains untouched since its acquisition in 1911.

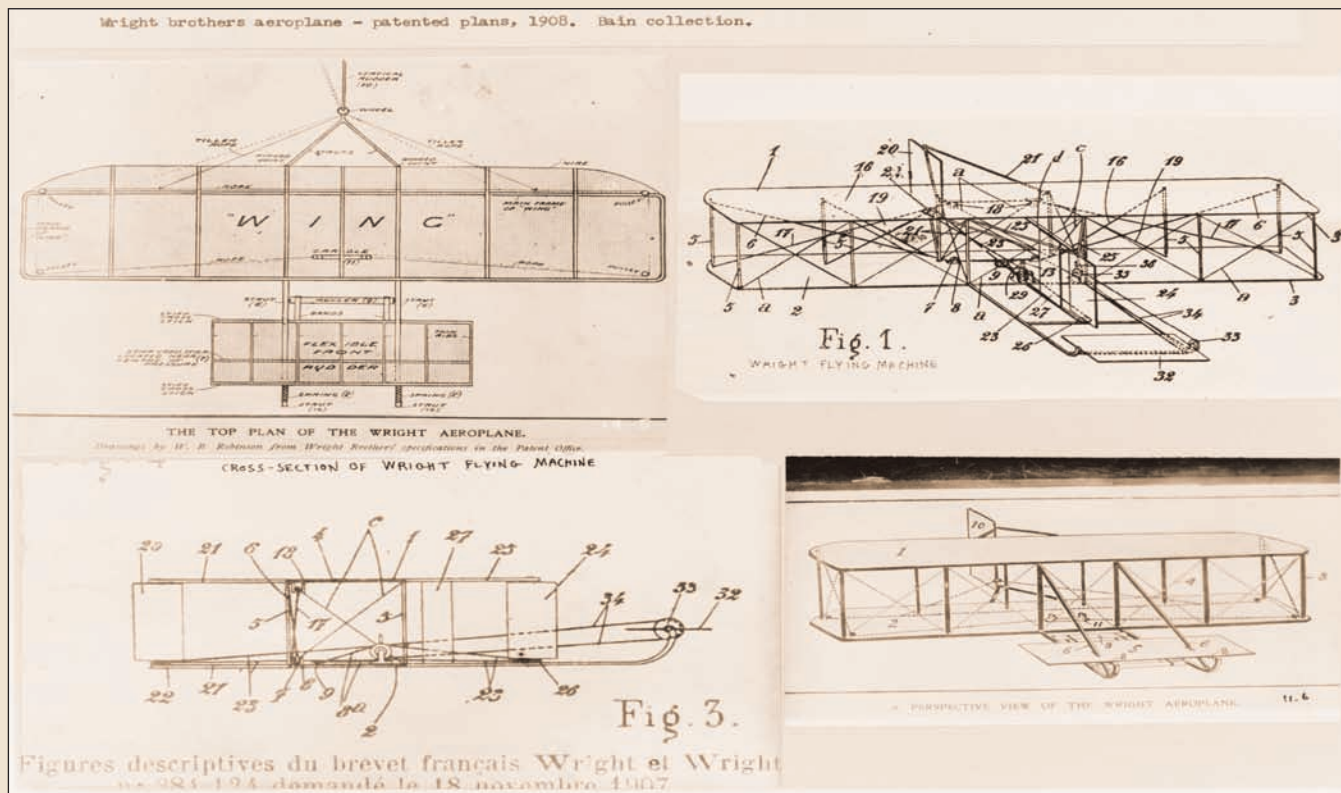


Photo courtesy Library of Congress

An image of the original drawings by W.B. Robinson of specifications for the 1909 Wright Military Flyer submitted to the U.S. Patent Office.

Centennial of Military flight: the ground crew that kept Foulois in the air

By Jacqueline Davis
FSH Museum

On that historic first flight in 1910, Lt. Benjamin Foulois may have flown alone, but he did not serve alone.

On the ground he had a crew composed of – as he said – nine enlisted and one civilian mechanic, but they are not the only men who served with Foulois during those early flight operations.

Other early aviation annals mention Pvts. Roy Hart and Berkeley Hyde. The U.S. census, taken in April of that year, lists three more “Soldiers Signal Corps Quartered in Rear of Aero Plane Shed” – Master Signal Electrician Charles Chadbourne, Signal Corps Sgt. William Bailey and Pvt. Edwin Eldred.

It is common in military history for information on enlisted men to be just names in the records.

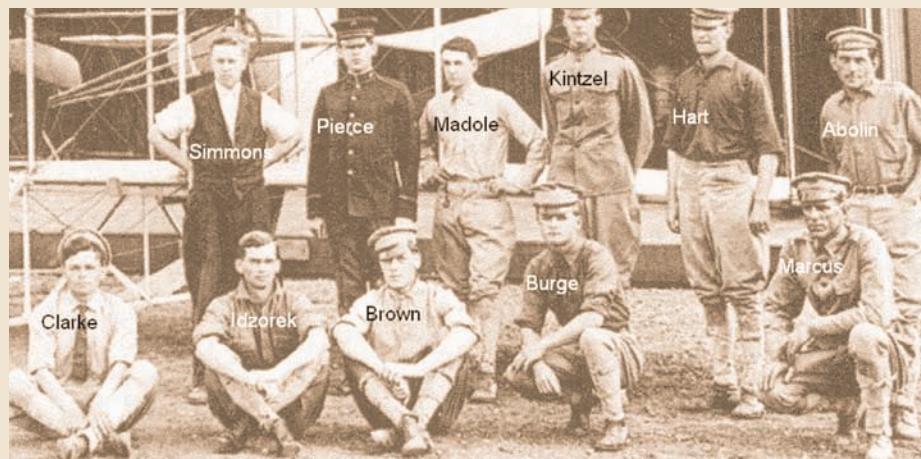
Now, however, thanks to the availability of online databases and communication through the Internet, we can discover something of the lives of these men seen in the old photos, standing around that Wright flyer.

Private 1st Class Felix Clarke, a member of the enlisted crew, identified Soldiers in a photo taken of the Signal Corps Aero Detachment on the back of a print. A member of his Family provided a copy of the image to the Fort Sam Houston Museum.

We know that, like Foulois, Chadbourne, Sgt. Herbert Marcus and even Civilian Mechanic Oliver G. Simmons had been in the Army and seen service in the Philippines during the Philippine Insurrection. Chadbourne had been stationed there for six years.

Tracking each of the Aero Detachment crew’s assignments was difficult as all except Chadbourne, Bailey and Eldred were assigned to Company G, Signal Corps, at Fort Myer, Va.; although later in the year, Cpl. Vernon L. Burge and Pvt. Cpl. Glenn R. Madole would be transferred to another company without a documented location.

Chadbourne, Bailey and Eldred were assigned to Company B, Signal



Eleven of the original Signal Corps Aero Squadron enlisted men pose with the Wright “B” Military Flyer at Fort Sam Houston in 1911.



Pvt. Berkeley Hyde

Corps. They may have been at Fort Sam Houston attached to Company I, Signal Corps and stayed at the Post when Company I was sent Wyoming just before the census. In 1914, Company B would be

involved with flight operations on the Mexican border.

Again like Foulois, several of the men had previously served in frontline units – the infantry, cavalry or artillery. Sgt. Stephen J. Idzorek served four years with the Marines. Bailey had been part of the Army’s “navy” serving on the Signal Corps cable boat “Cyrus W. Field” out of Portland, Maine.

In their civilian lives most of the men had been involved in some sort of technical field such as printer, telegrapher, or electrician.

Two listed their occupation as “clerk.” Abolin, the detachment’s cook, listed his occupation as “painter decorator,” although he apparently had electrical training.

Most of the men were from the northeastern U.S. or the Midwest. Clarke was born in Mississippi but later lived in Tennessee, and Pierce was from Georgia.

Two were foreign-born: Idzorek was

born in Poland and Marcus was from Canada.

After their stints in the Aero Detachment, most of the men returned to civilian life. Three of the men, Bailey, Brown and Madole, get lost in history.

Abolin returned to house painting. During World War II, he organized a group of 96 painters to paint the house of a wounded G.I. in New Brunswick, N.J. The group painted the entire building in 2 minutes, 32 seconds according to a news article.

Clarke and Pierce, the southern boys, went to work in the railroad industry. Eldred became a clerk in Colorado. Hyde became an original member of the Long Island Police Department and chased reported sightings of a mysterious “ape-like” creature on Long Island, N.J. in the 1930s.

Kintzel went to work for an explosives company as a “powerhouse engineer.” In the 1930s, he became a civilian employee of the Army at what is now Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

During WWI, all these men had to register for the draft. Kintzel was exempted because the manufacture of explosives was a “military necessity.”

It looks like Pierce avoided the draft because of his weight. On his draft registration, he weighed 260 pounds. Clarke and Hart both served as officers during the war, but again returned to civilian life.

Four of the men went on to com-

plete a career in the military. Chadbourne and Marcus took commissions during WWI. After the war, Chadbourne reverted to his enlisted rank and retired in 1930. Marcus kept his commission and was assigned to Kelly Field before his retirement in 1921.

Corporal Vernon Burge, who apparently lied about his age when joining the Army in April, 1907 (he was the same age in 1907 as he was in 1910, when he re-enlisted), stayed involved in aviation.

Assigned to the Philippines after leaving Fort Sam, Burge learned to fly under the tutelage of Frank Lahm and became the Army’s first enlisted pilot. He also became an officer during WWI and retired as an Air Force colonel in San Antonio in 1942. He is buried at the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

Idzorek, a former Marine, also had no problem moving up the ranks. He was commissioned during WWI. By 1938, he was a colonel and commander of McClellan Air Field in California. He retired the next year, but was called back to duty for the duration of WWII, serving at the Presidio of San Francisco. He is buried at the Golden Gate National Cemetery.

As Foulois’ foray into the skies became the U.S. Air Force, a handful of enlisted men kept the planes running; and allowed the pilots to venture into the skies.

Close to retirement Foulois made a list of the men he remembered:

Sgt. Stephen J. Idzorek
Sgt. Herbert Marcus
Cpl. Vernon L. Burge
Pvt. Cpl. Glenn R. Madole
Pvt. R.W. Brown
Pvt. Felix G. Clarke
Pvt. Kenneth L. Kintzel
Pvt. Pierce
Cook William C. Abolin
Civilian Mechanic Oliver G. Simmons

(Research for this article was made possible by the Families of Abolin, Idzorek and Chadbourne, the Long Island Police Department and Web site <http://www.Ancestry.com>.)



FORT SAM HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
WEEKLY CAMPUS ACTIVITIES FEB. 22-27

Fort Sam Houston Elementary School

Feb. 25
FSHISD school board meeting in professional development center, 2 p.m.
Cougar Connection – Math Connections through Reading, 11:30 a.m. to noon
DENTAC—all grades during physical education time

Feb. 26
Early release day, 11 a.m.

Robert G. Cole Middle and High School

Feb. 22
DECA State Competition in Fort Worth, Texas
Make-up day for on-line registration in computer lab, 7:30 to 8:15 a.m.
Student of the Month Breakfast in middle school conference room, 8:30 a.m.
Boys’ basketball bi-district playoff, TBA

Feb. 23
Make-up day for on-line registration in computer lab, 7:30 to 8:15 a.m.
Boys’ basketball bi-district playoff, TBA
Baseball vs. St. Anthony, 4 p.m.

Feb. 24
Make-up day for on-line registration in computer lab, 7:30 to 8:15 a.m.

Feb. 25
Make-up day for on-line registration in computer lab, 7:30 to 8:15 a.m.
FSHISD school board meeting in professional development center, 2 p.m.
Boys’ basketball area playoff
Baseball tournament at Lytle, TBA
Boys’ and Girls’ JV/V track meet at Blanco High School, finals only

Feb. 26
Early dismissal, noon
Academic Decathlon State meet
Baseball tournament at Lytle, TBA
Boys’ basketball area playoff

Feb. 27
Academic Decathlon State meet
Baseball tournament at Lytle, TBA
Boys’ basketball area playoff
UIL choir solo and ensemble a Madison High School, all day
UIL One Act play rehearsals in Moseley gym, 1 to 3 p.m.

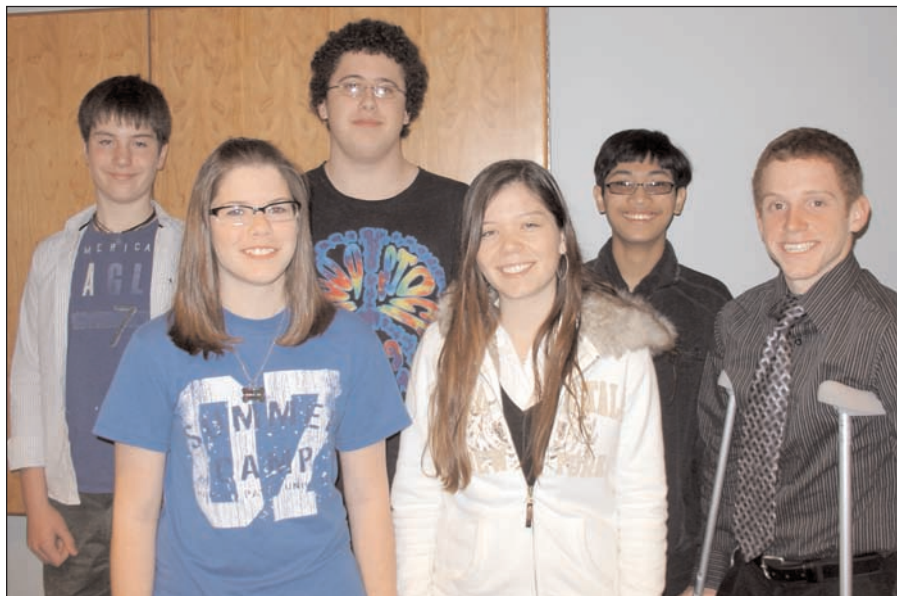
Rocco Dining Facility Menu Building 2745, Schofield Road

Friday – Feb. 19
Lunch – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
French fried shrimp, barbecued spareribs, baked kielbasa sausage, stuffed cabbage rolls, country-fried steaks, macaroni and cheese, steamed rice, mashed potatoes, collard greens, LA-style smothered squash, stewed tomatoes, navy beans
Dinner – 5 to 7 p.m.
Barbecued beef brisket, fried catfish, turkey loaf, beef and broccoli, potato frittata, baked potatoes, au gratin potatoes, steamed rice, asparagus, mixed vegetables, French-fried okra
Saturday – Feb. 20
Lunch – noon to 1:30 p.m.
Beef porcupines, chipper perch, chicken enchiladas, cheese enchiladas, mashed potatoes, lyonnaised rice, steamed rice, broccoli, lima beans, baked parmesan tomato halves
Dinner – 5 to 6:30 p.m.
Fried chicken, chicken fajita pitas, stuffed bell peppers, cheese manicotti, cottage fried potatoes, baked potatoes, wild rice, club spinach, cauliflower, yellow squash
Sunday – Feb. 21
Lunch – noon to 1:30 p.m.
Italian style veal steaks, roast turkey, beef yakisoba, cheese ravioli, spaghetti noodles, cornbread dressing, parsley-buttered new potatoes, baked potatoes, green beans, stewed tomatoes and okra, carrots
Dinner – 5 to 6:30 p.m.
Chicken pot pie, meat loaf, broccoli quiche, grilled ham steaks, mashed potatoes, steamed rice, baked sweet potatoes, asparagus, corn on the cob, fried cabbage
Monday – Feb. 22
Lunch – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Spaghetti with meat sauce, blackened catfish, chicken and sausage gumbo, spicy Italian pork chops, macaroni and cheese, steamed rice, parsley tri-colored pasta, French-fried eggplant, turnip greens, peas and carrots
Dinner – 5 to 6:30 p.m.
Country fried steaks, chili macaroni, vegetable lasagna, honey-glazed Cornish hens, beef stuffed peppers, mashed potatoes, lyonnaised rice, baked potatoes, broccoli, lima beans, LA-smothered squash
Tuesday – Feb. 23
Lunch – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Grilled tuna patties, roast beef, beef enchiladas, chicken taquitos, baked Monterey chicken, refried beans with cheese, Spanish rice, steamed rice, parsley-buttered new potatoes, cauliflower, Mexican corn, lemon herbed broccoli
Dinner – 5 to 7 p.m.
Chicken fajitas, cheese enchiladas, beef and broccoli, Salisbury steaks, fried catfish, mashed potatoes, Mexican rice, brown rice, Spanish lima beans, zucchini squash, carrots

Wednesday – Feb. 24
Lunch – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Apple-glazed corned beef, baked chicken, smothered chicken with gravy, barbecued pork spareribs, cheese ravioli, simmered pigs’ feet, parsley-buttered new potatoes, macaroni and cheese, carrots, fried cabbage with bacon, mixed vegetables
Dinner – 5 to 7 p.m.
Barbecued beef cubes, Jaeger schnitzel, grilled polish sausage, turkey chili macaroni, broccoli quiche, buttered egg noodles, baked potatoes, mashed potatoes, black-eyed peas, broccoli, corn
Thursday – Feb. 25
Lunch – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Teriyaki chicken, breaded pork chops, blackened catfish, beef and broccoli, cheese tortellini, grilled liver and onions, fried noodles, cottage fried potatoes, steamed brown rice, Japanese vegetable stir fry, club spinach, Brussels sprouts
Dinner – 5 to 7 p.m.
Honey-ginger chicken breast, Salisbury steaks, tempura fried fish, baked egg noodles and cheese, Szechwan chicken, fried rice, steamed rice, mashed potatoes, cauliflower, peas and onions, stewed tomatoes

Menus are subject to change without notice

COLE HONORS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Courtesy photo

Each month Robert G. Cole Middle and High School recognizes one student from each grade level for his or her outstanding attitude, citizenship, and overall contribution to the school. The students are nominated by their teachers and then one student is selected by the faculty of each grade level. The recipients for January are (front row, from left) Emma Brown, seventh grade; Cristal Long, 12th grade; Cass Busbin, ninth grade; (back row, from left) Cole Kirchen, sixth grade; Tim Hogan, 11th grade; and Uelle Ballares, eighth grade. Not pictured is Tayler Potts, 10th grade.

COUGAR BATTALION HOSTS 42ND MILITARY BALL



Photo by Cadet 1st Lt. Katie Sheridan

Cadet Maj. Matthew Prasek escorts Kayla Barber, newly-crowned Cole JROTC 2010 Military Ball Queen, off the dance floor at the 42nd annual Military Ball hosted by Robert G. Cole High School JROTC Feb. 6 at the Holiday Inn Riverwalk. The Military Ball, designated as "the best dance of the year," proved to uphold its namesake again this year. The night consisted of promotions, awards, the coronation of the Military Ball Queen and dancing until midnight.



Announcements

Girls Softball

Registration is now open for Child, Youth & School Services girls' softball through Feb. 26. Players must be 9 to 14 years old and have a CYSS membership. Players with a current membership can enroll online at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Samhoustonscym.html>. Softball season is March 22-

May 29. Call 221-4871.

Youth Coaches Needed

Volunteer coaches are needed for Child, Youth & School Services the 2010 baseball and softball season. Interested volunteers can stop by Parent Central, Building 2797, or call 221-4871.

Youth Baseball

Child, Youth & School Services baseball registration is underway through Feb. 26. Registration is open to 3-18 year olds with a CYS membership. Players with a current membership can enroll online at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Samhoustonscym.html>. Call 221-4871.

Calendar of Events

FEB. 18

Microsoft Word Level 2

The class will be held 8 a.m.-noon at Army Community Service, Building 2797 in the computer lab. Some computer basics, completion of Word Level 1 and registration required. Call 221-2518.

Mandatory Initial First Term Financial Readiness

The class will be held 10 a.m.-noon at Army Community Service, Building 2797 in the computer lab. To register, call 221-1612.

FEB. 19

Post-Deployment Planning

The training will be held 9-10:30

a.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. To register, call 221-2705/1829 or e-mail samh.acs.mob.deploy@conus.army.mil.

Parents Night Out

Child, Youth & School Services will host a Parents Night Out, 6:15-11:15 p.m. Advanced payment and registration is required by calling Parent Central at 221-4871.

Texas Hold 'Em Tournament

Join us for week three of Texas Hold 'Em days 6 p.m. at the Sam Houston Club. Admission is free and players must be 18 or older to play. The top 64 players from the qualifying rounds will play in the Garrison finals Feb. 26. The Garrison finals winner will have a seat in the All-Army Online Tournament. There will

be a cash bar and a Mexican fiesta this week, purchase a \$10 food voucher at the Sam Houston Club ticket office. Advanced registration required, call 226-1663.

FEB. 20

Soulful Singer Stops at Fort Sam

Up-and-coming pop/R&B singer Leigh Jones will make a stop at Fort Sam Houston on Feb. 20 as part of the Army-wide I AM STRONG concert tour. Fans will have the opportunity to meet Jones at the Post Exchange from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and she will perform at the Hacienda Recreation Center at 7 p.m. Admission is free and open to authorized MWR patrons. Call 221-4242.

Texas State University Tour

The Middle School and Teen Center and the HIRED! Apprenticeship program are offering students a chance to tour the Texas State University Feb. 20. The tour will leave the Middle School and Teen Center at 8 a.m. and return by 5 p.m., lunch will be included. Seating is limited, permission slips need to be submitted by Feb. 20. Call 221-3164.

FEB. 22

Unit Trauma Training

The training will be held 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. To register, call 221-2705 or e-mail samh.acs.mob.deploy@conus.army.mil.

See MWR P19

MWR from P18**Budget Development**

The class will be held 2-4 p.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. To register, call 221-1612.

FEB. 23**Newcomers' Extravaganza**

The event will be held 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Sam Houston Club. The extravaganza is mandatory for all permanent party in-processing Soldiers, lieutenant colonel and below, within 60 days of their arrival to Fort Sam Houston and is an opportunity to learn about Fort Sam Houston and the San Antonio area as well as meet representatives from many different organizations, programs and businesses. Call 221-2705/2418.

Microsoft Excel Level 3

The class will be held 8 a.m.-noon at Army Community Service, Building 2797 in the computer lab. Completion of Level 1 and/or Level 2 and registration required. Call 221-2518.

Family Readiness Group Leadership Academy

The training will be held Feb. 23-24, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. To register, call 221-2705 or e-mail samh.acs.mob.deploy@conus.army.mil.

Mandatory First PCS Move

The class will be held 2-4 p.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. To register, call 221-1612.

Building Effective Anger Management Skills

The class will be held 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Red Cross, Building 2650. To register, call 221-0349/2418.

FEB. 24**Microsoft Vision**

The class will be held 8 a.m.-noon at Army Community Service, Building 2797 in the computer lab. Some basic computer skills and registration required. Call 221-2518.

Mandatory Initial First Term Financial Readiness

The class begins at noon at the Education Center, Building 2248. Class space is limited. Call 221-1612.

FEB. 25**Trails and Tales Tour Cancelled**

The Fort Sam Houston Trails and Tales Tour scheduled for Feb. 25 has been cancelled. The next tour is scheduled for May 27. Call 221-2418/1372.

Financial Boot Camp

The class will be held Feb. 25-26, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Sam Houston Club. This special event is for everyone who earns money, uses money and wants to know more about protecting and managing their money. Special guest speakers will explain everything from insurance, saving and investing, spending and penny-pinching. Call 221-1612.

FEB. 27**CYSS Annual Talent Show**

Come see some of Fort Sam

Houston's brightest young stars perform musical and dancing acts 6-10 p.m. at Army Community Services, Building 2797. Call 221-4871.

MARCH 1**Army Family Team Building Level Two**

The training will be held March 1-3, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. This training will teach management skills focusing on communication, conflict management, understanding needs, crisis and coping and group dynamics. To register, call 221-2611.

MARCH 9**Women Encouraging Women**

The seminar will be held noon-1 p.m. at Army Community Service, Building 2797. The topic of discussion will be "Practice Good Eating Habits!" with guest speakers. Call 221-0349/0655.

MARCH 11**Health Fair****FEBRUARY 25 & 26**

8 A.M. – 4 P.M.

Sam Houston Club

Limited
Seating

**FINANCIAL BOOT CAMP**

ARE YOU READY TO GET FINANCIALLY FIT?

CALL 221-1612 OR 221-2705

A health fair will be held 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Jimmy Brought Fitness. Get screenings for cholesterol, diabetes and blood pressure;

learn about nutrition, exercise, injury prevention, breast health and weight issues, get tips on how to quit smoking and much more. Call 221-1234.



Local Hazards/Intermediate Driver's Training

Classes will be held March 2, 3, 16 and 17. Military personnel under 26 years of age who possess a driver's license and DoD civilians who drive government vehicles are required to take this course. Military

and Family members are also welcome to take the course. The three-hour classroom training is intended to reinforce a positive attitude toward driving. Visit <https://airs.lmi.org/> to enroll.

Fridays Free at Rodeo fairgrounds

Active duty, Family, and retired I.D. cardholders can enjoy this year's San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo for a little less, thanks to USAA.

Cardholders can visit the Stock Show and Rodeo Grounds every Friday for free. The rodeo runs Feb. 4-21.

Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship Program

Through the program, Kohl's will award more than \$410,000 in scholarships and prizes, ranging from \$50 Kohl's gift cards to ten \$10,000 scholarships, recognizing youths who make a difference by volunteering in their communities. Nominations for children ages 6 to 18 years old will be accepted through March 15 at <http://www.kohlskids.com>, nominators must be 21 years or older.

BAMC Seeks Volunteers

Positions are available for the

Caremobile, Kernel Club, Patient Library or Patient Transport Program teams and on the clinic and patient administration staff. Call 808-4982.

McNay's Docent Council Accepting Applicants

The McNay Docent Council is accepting a docent class for 2010-2011. As volunteers of the McNay Art Museum, docents provide opportunities for the public to enjoy and find meaning in works of art through tours of the McNay collection and exhibitions. Call 805-1768 or e-mail education@mcncayart.org. Application deadline is March 15.

New Research Study

Healthy men and women, DoD beneficiaries between 18 and 55, may be eligible to participate in a new study conducted by researchers from BAMC determining the safety and dosage of two parts of an investigational vaccine for the prevention of skin and wound infections caused by the bacteria *Staphylococcus aureus*. Volunteers will be asked to make approximately 6-8 outpatient visits over a period of 3-4 months with study personnel. Study volunteers will be compensated based on DoD regulations. Call 916-6014.

Spouses' Club Scholarships/Distributions

Spouses' Club of the Fort Sam Houston area is now accepting



REMINDER CALENDAR

Feb. 18	187th Medical Battalion, Building 2791, dedication ceremony, 9 a.m.
Feb. 19	Cutest pet contest, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., all community centers
Feb. 20	Leigh Jones autograph signing, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Post Exchange
Feb. 23	FSH Newcomer's Extravaganza, 9:30-11:30 p.m. Sam Houston Club
Feb. 24	470th MI Brigade African American/Black History Month observance, 1-2 p.m., Army Community Service
Feb. 25	Consolidated Monthly Retirement Ceremony, 7:45 a.m., Army Community Service
Feb. 25	FSH African American/Black History Month commemoration, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Harlequin Dinner Theatre
Feb. 27	5K Fun Run/Walk, 9 a.m., Jimmy Brought Fitness Center
Feb. 28	Black History Month program, 10:30 a.m., Dodd Field Chapel
March 4	March 2 Foulis Centennial of Military Flight Celebration, 8:30-11:30 a.m., MacArthur Parade Field
	National Prayer Breakfast, 6:30 a.m., Sam Houston Club

applications for 2010 scholarships and welfare distributions. Applications are available online at <http://www.scfsh.com> or visit Army Community Service, Building 2797. Deadline is March 20. Call 241-0811 or 789-3861.

Special Forces Recruitment

The U.S. Army Special Forces recruiting team is looking for male Soldiers who are interested in continuing their medical training as an 18 Delta Special Forces medical sergeant. Military occupational specialties in weapons, engineering, communications, and detachment commander are also available. Call 877-217-7131.

FEB. 20 Founder's Day/Washington's Birthday Dinner

The Military Order of the Purple Heart will host a Founder's Day and Washington's Birthday Dinner Feb. 20 at 6 p.m. at the El Tropicano Holiday Inn, 110 Lexington Ave., San Antonio. Cost is \$30 per person. Open to all active and retired military members. Visit <http://www.purpleheartsa.org> for tickets.

McKinney Roughs Nature Park Walk

The Colorado River Walkers volkmarch club will host a 10K and

See COMMUNITY P21

SAN ANTONIO RODEO YOUTH DAY

Fort Sam Houston School Age Services children participated in the San Antonio Rodeo Youth Day Feb. 6 at the Freeman Coliseum. Makenzie Crown, Alexandra Casellas, Jessica Castillo, Makenna Clark and Kiaja McConnico talked about School Age Services on FSH at their 4H booth and received green ribbons for participating in the Wagon Parade for ecology awareness. Clark won best-in-show in the category of Special Effects in a photo contest. The FSH children also brought home 29 red ribbons and 3 white ribbons.

Courtesy photo



COMMUNITY from P20

5K walk starting at McKinney Roughs Nature Park, 1884 State Highway 71 West, Cedar Creek, Texas. Walks start between 8 a.m. and noon, finish by 3 p.m. Call 512-480-0291 or visit <http://www.col-oradoriverwalkers.org>.

Voices Against Sexual Assault

A new community outreach organization, Voices Against Sexual Assault, has been established to unite the local area in the fight against sexual assault. The next VASA meeting will be held Feb. 22, 3 p.m. at Building 2484, Room 29 on Lackland Air Force Base. The purpose of VASA is to

function as a non-profit social and professional organization to enhance sexual assault awareness within the community through outreach, education, and victim support. Membership is open to all U.S. Air Force active duty, reserve or Air National Guard and civilians in the local area. Call 925-5210.

FEB. 23 **Neighborhood** **Beautification Initiative**

Volunteers are needed Feb. 23 to assist with housing painting, brush collection, vacant lot and yard clean-up and other special projects around the area bound by North-Hood Street, South-Carson Street, West-Ash Street and East-

Ervin Street. A neighborhood command post will be located at St. Stephen Baptist Church parking lot, 2011 East Carson, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. to volunteer, call 207-1008/5445.

MARCH 16 **Active Duty Weight Control** **Classes**

Beginning March 16, all active-duty weight control group classes will be moving from the Department of Nutritional Medicine in Brooke Army Medical Center to the Nutrition Education and Training Branch, Building 1350, on the corner of Garden and Hardee avenues. Questions, call 916-4152. To register, call 916-1911.



For Sale: 1999 Starcraft pop-up camper, a/c, 6 gallon water heater, shower, toilet, three-way refrigerator, stove, kitchen table, 8 foot awning, three new tires and spare, sleeps seven to 10, original owner, barely used. Call 910-554-9477.

For Sale: White side-by-side Frigidaire refrigerator, water and ice dispenser, 32 inches wide, less than 2 years old, \$600. Call 748-2235.

For Sale: Sofa and loveseat combo, mocha brown microfiber, sofa has two recliners built in at each end, \$400 obo. Call 281-851-3351.

For Sale: Cherry wood dining room table and six chairs, table can be adjusted, good condition, \$300 obo. Call 320-7983 evenings or 757-613-2250.

SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

Fort Sam Houston will be hosting tryouts February 16-19, at the Youth Sports Field for the instillation's Varsity Softball team. Any male or female possessing a DoD card, at least 18 years of age and not participating in an academic athletic association may tryout. Call 221-3003.



Main Post Chapel, Building 2200, 221-2754

Catholic Services:

4:45 p.m. - Reconciliation - Saturdays
5:30 p.m. - Mass - Saturdays
9:30 a.m. - Mass - Sundays
11:30 a.m. - Mass - weekdays

Protestant Services - Sundays:

8 a.m. - Collective Protestant
11 a.m. - Collective Protestant
Jewish Services: 379-8666 or 493-6660
8 p.m. - Fridays - Worship and 8:30 p.m. - Oneg Shabbat

Dodd Field Chapel, Building 1721, 221-5010 or 221-5432

Catholic Services:

9:15 to 11:15 a.m. - Catholic Women of the Chapel Enrichment or Bible Study - Mondays
12:30 p.m. - Mass - Sundays
Protestant Services:
10:30 a.m. - Gospel Protestant - Sundays
9:30 to 11:30 a.m. - Protestant Women of the Chapel meeting - Wednesdays, child care is provided
6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Protestant Women of the Chapel meeting - Thursdays, child care is provided

Samoan Protestant Service:

8:30 a.m. - Sundays

Web site: <http://www.samhouston.army.mil/chaplain>

Brooke Army Medical Center Chapel, Building 3600, 916-1105

Catholic Services:

8:30 a.m. - Mass - Sundays
11 a.m. - Mass - Sundays

Protestant Services:

10 a.m. - Worship Service - Sundays
Episcopal/Lutheran Rite services:
12:30 p.m. - Traditional worship - Thursdays

Center for the Intrepid, first floor, 916-1105

Christ for the Intrepid services:

5:30 p.m. - Coffee and fellowship - Sundays
6 p.m. - Contemporary worship - Sundays

AMEDD Regimental Chapel, Building 1398, 221-4362

32nd Medical Brigade Student services

Catholic Mass: 8 a.m. - Sundays
Contemporary Protestant Service:
9:30 a.m. and 11:01 a.m. - Sundays
Muslim Jumma: 1:30 p.m. - Fridays

Installation Chaplain Office, Building 2530, 221-5007

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints:

8:30 a.m. - Sundays

"See it, Send it"

- **Texting:** 834-4531
- **E-mail:** FtSamHoustonPolice@conus.army.mil
- **Phone:** 221-CLUE (2583) Leave a Message
- **Phone:** 221-2222 Military Police Desk

Take the Dare and Be Aware